

March 10, 2005

Dear Subregional Coordinators:

RE: 2007 RTP Growth Forecast Update - Request for Assistance
Due Date: April 29th 2005

Thank you for the assistance and support during the 2004 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Growth Forecast update process. The SCAG local input process in 2002 provided us with growth input and information about emerging trends and development in your subregion.

We are writing to request your assistance with the 2007 RTP Growth Forecast Update on behalf of the jurisdictions that make up your subregion. Please distribute this letter throughout your subregion to all interested parties.

Our Regional Council adopted the 2004 Growth Forecast, at the regional and subregional levels, in April 2004 as a part of the 2004 RTP adoption. The RTP contains the Growth Visioning/Compass land use distribution that respects the local growth inputs through 2010. The 2007 Update will maintain this approach with adjustments to the forecast occurring primarily after a ramp-up period between now and 2010. During this ramp-up period we are working throughout the region to establish consensus on Compass implementation strategies. Please see data at <http://www.scag.ca.gov/forecast/rtpgf2004.htm>

The Compass program, begun in 2000, has identified strategic growth opportunity areas where changes in land use could result in significant local and regional benefits such as reducing traffic congestion and air pollution, preserving open space, and providing economic development opportunities. The attachments to this letter show the strategic growth opportunity areas.

It is now time to prepare the 2007 RTP Growth Forecast. Because of the exhaustive local input process conducted for the 2004 forecast, the availability of 2000 Census data and our Regional Council's policy decision on the Compass land use distribution, we do not anticipate overall major changes to the forecast. Thus the update process will concentrate on a subregional review process that will help SCAG staff identify certain areas where important activities affecting growth patterns may have occurred since the last RTP/Growth Forecast. The information you provide will assist us in concentrating our analysis for possible forecast adjustments to only those areas where a review may be needed.

We anticipate adjustments to the forecast will probably occur in areas that are experiencing land use change now, have approved regionally significant development projects unknown in 2002, have updated general plans or specific plans since 2002,

and/or changed zoning standards and/or revised their built-out capacities. Could you please consult with your cities and then return the enclosed questionnaire?

We would be especially grateful if you could return the questionnaire **within the next 45 days. Please let us know if there is any additional information we can supply in order to receive your response.**

We would also like to take this opportunity to remind your subregion that the SCAG Regional Housing Need Assessment (RHNA) will likely be coordinated with the 2007 RTP forecast. State HCD recently approved the SCAG request in concept and is in the process of conferring with SCAG on a mutually agreed upon set of milestones for integrating the RTP and RHNA forecast processes. (See details in the December 10, 2004 letter on our web site under What's New page at <http://www.scag.ca.gov/>) The next RTP is scheduled to be adopted in April 2007 and we expect the next RHNA will need to be completed by July 2007. We will keep you informed of State requirements on the RHNA as they occur.

If you have any questions regarding this letter or the information being requested, please feel free to contact me or Ms. JiHong McDermott.

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We thank you in advance for your assistance in this very important regional endeavor and look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely Yours,

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Attachments

2007 Growth Forecast Update Subregional Questionnaire

1. Are there areas in your subregion that have a General Plan update, zoning changes and build-out capacity changes etc, since last RTP growth forecast update?

- Answer: Yes/No_____.
- If yes, please provide location and summary information. (Please use additional pages or attachments as needed)

2. Are there areas in your subregion that have major future development sites, such as residential, commercial, industrial, etc.?

- Answer: Yes/No_____.
- If yes, please provide location and summary information. (Please use additional pages or attachments as needed)

2007 Growth Forecast Update Subregional Questionnaire

3. Are there areas in your subregion that have major future transit oriented developments?

- Answer: Yes/No_____.
- If yes, please provide location and summary information. (Please use additional pages or attachments as needed)

4. Are there areas in your subregion that have annexations since 2002?

- Answer: Yes/No_____.
- If yes, please provide location and summary information. (Please use additional pages or attachments as needed)

2007 Growth Forecast Update Subregional Questionnaire

5. Are there areas in your subregion that have newly defined habitat constrained areas since 2002?

- Answer: Yes/No_____.
- If yes, please provide location and summary information. (Please use additional pages or attachments as needed)

6. Are there areas in your subregion that have major changes in identified as having opportunity areas for integration of land use and transportation as part of the 2% Strategy? (see attachment for the list of cities)

- Answer: Yes/No_____.
- If yes, please provide location and summary information. (Please use additional pages or attachments as needed)

7. Is there any other information regarding growth/land use in your subregion that you like to provide?

Please complete this questionnaire and return with any attachments to:

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Post-2010 Compass 2% Strategy Opportunity Areas

Four years of public education, community participation, modeling analysis and peer review resulted in the Compass Growth Vision adopted by SCAG's Regional Council in June 2004. This new Vision for southern California is intended to accommodate the projected 6 million new residents expected to live in the region by 2030 while balancing valuable quality of life goals. Driven by four key principles - mobility, livability, prosperity and sustainability - the Compass Vision emphasizes the following strategies to better coordinate land use and transportation decision-making:

- Focus growth in existing and emerging centers and along major transportation corridors
- Create significant areas of mixed-use development and walkable communities
- Target growth around existing and planned transit stations
- Preserve existing open space and stable residential areas

The Compass action plan focuses on reaching out to local decision-makers and the public at large to build support for the Vision and demonstrates how minor changes in land-use and transportation decision-making can reap heretofore unexpected economic, mobility, and environmental benefits locally, subregionally and regionally. These Compass strategic opportunity areas make up about 2% of the region, thus, leading to the name "Compass 2% Strategy" for the implementation plan.

The following tables identify areas by subregion that contain 2% Strategy Opportunity Areas. These areas, categorized by opportunity type, are defined as having a high potential to implement projects, plans and/or policies consistent with the Compass principles resulting in the aforementioned benefits.

Table 1 – Compass 2% Strategy Opportunity Areas Summary Matrix – Summarizes the 2% Strategy Opportunity Areas by city grouped by subregion.

Table 2 – Metro Center – Area of regional significance that is currently or projected to be a major employment and residential center that attracts large numbers of work commuters and is well accessible by both highway and transit.

Table 3 – City Center – Area of subregional significance that is currently or is projected to be an employment and residential center that provides regional benefits as its share of jobs and housing units increase.

Table 4 – Rail Transit Stops – Area that has an existing or planned light rail, subway, commuter rail, Amtrak and/or Maglev station stop.

Table 5 - Bus Rapid Transit Corridors – Area that has an existing or planned bus rapid transit corridor.

Table 6 - Airports, Ports, and Industrial Centers – Area that has an existing or planned airport, sea port, inland port, international border crossing or major regional industrial center that is central to the region's economy.

Table 7 - Priority Residential In-fill Areas – Area that has shown the potential to provide regional and subregional transportation benefits as it absorbs its share of the regional residential growth.

Table 8 – Compass Principles Priority Areas – Those areas that aren't in one or more of the defined 2% Strategy Opportunity Areas are encouraged to take local actions consistent with the Compass principles. The cumulative effect of such actions can provide tremendous benefits toward improving the quality of life for all residents of southern California.

The Compass Vision has resulted in a new framework for southern California's future and a new perspective on how local decision-makers can make planning choices that have tremendous value to both individual communities and the region as a whole. SCAG will continue to develop tools and resources to assist cities and counties as they plan for a better future for all southern Californians.

Compass Principles

Decisions regarding growth, transportation, land use, and economic development should be made to promote and ***sustain*** for future generations the region's ***mobility, livability*** and ***prosperity***. The following Compass Principles are intended to provide a framework for local and regional decision making that ***improves the quality of life for all SCAG residents***. Each principle is followed by a specific set of strategies intended to achieve this goal.

Improve ***Mobility*** for All Residents

- Encourage Transportation Investments and Land Use Decisions that Are Mutually Supportive
- Locate New Housing Near Existing Jobs and New Jobs Near Existing Housing
- Encourage Transit-Oriented Development
- Promote a Variety of Travel Choices

Foster ***Livability*** in All Communities

- Promote In-Fill Development and Redevelopment to Revitalize Existing Communities
- Promote Developments which Provide a Mix of Uses
- Promote "People-Scaled," Walkable Communities
- Support the Preservation of Stable Neighborhoods

Enable ***Prosperity*** for All People

- Provide a Variety of Housing Types in Each Community to Meet the Housing Needs of All Income Levels
- Support Educational Opportunities that Promote Balanced Growth
- Ensure Environmental Justice Regardless of Race, Ethnicity or Income Class
- Support Local and State Fiscal Policies that Encourage Balanced Growth
- Encourage Civic Engagement

Promote ***Sustainability*** for Future Generations

- Preserve Rural, Agricultural, Recreational and Environmentally Sensitive Areas
- Focus Development in Urban Centers and Existing Cities
- Develop Strategies to Accommodate Growth that Use Resources Efficiently, and Minimize Pollution and Waste
- Utilize "Green" Development Techniques

Table 1 – Post-2010 Compass 2% Strategy Opportunity Areas Summary Matrix

Subregion	City	Metro	City	Rail	BRT	API	PRIA	CP
Arroyo Verdugo Cities	Burbank	X		X			X	
	Glendale	X		X			X	
	La Canada Flintridge							X
Coachella Valley Association of Governments	Blythe							X
	Cathedral City							X
	Coachella							X
	Desert Hot Springs							X
	Indian Wells							X
	Indio							X
	La Quinta							X
	Palm Desert		X					
	Palm Springs		X			X		
	Rancho Mirage							X
Gateway Cities	Artesia							X
	Avalon							X
	Bell				X			
	Bell Gardens				X			
	Bellflower							X
	Cerritos		X					
	Commerce			X	X	X		
	Compton			X			X	
	Cudahy							X
	Downey			X				
	Hawaiian Gardens							X
	Huntington Park				X		X	
	La Habra Heights							X
	La Mirada							X
	Lakewood							X
	Long Beach	X		X		X	X	
	Lynwood			X	X			
	Maywood							X
	Norwalk			X				
	Paramount							X
	Pico Rivera							X
	Santa Fe Springs			X				
	Signal Hill							X
	South Gate				X			
	Vernon				X			
	Whittier							X
Imperial Valley Association of Governments	Brawley							X
	Calexico					X		
	Calipatria							X
	El Centro		X					X
	Holtville							X
	Imperial							X
	Westmorland							X
Los Angeles City	Los Angeles	X		X	X	X	X	
Las Virgenes Malibu Council of Governments	Agoura Hills							X
	Calabasas							X
	Hidden Hills							X

Subregion	City	Metro	City	Rail	BRT	API	PRIA	CP
LVMCOG cont.	Malibu							X
	San Fernando			X				
	Westlake Village							X
North Los Angeles County	Lancaster		X	X			X	
	Palmdale		X	X		X	X	
	Santa Clarita		X	X			X	
Orange County Council of Governments	Aliso Viejo							X
	Anaheim	X		X			X	
	Brea		X					
	Buena Park			X				
	Costa Mesa					X	X	
	Cypress						X	
	Dana Point							X
	Fountain Valley							X
	Fullerton			X				
	Garden Grove						X	
	Huntington Beach		X					
	Irvine	X		X				
	La Habra							X
	La Palma							X
	Laguna Beach							X
	Laguna Hills							X
	Laguna Niguel			X				
	Laguna Woods							X
	Lake Forest							X
	Los Alamitos							X
	Mission Viejo							X
	Newport Beach						X	
	Orange			X				
	Placentia							X
	Rancho Santa Margarita							X
	San Clemente			X				
	San Juan Capistrano			X				
	Santa Ana	X		X		X	X	
	Seal Beach							X
	Stanton							X
	Tustin			X				
	Villa Park							X
	Westminster						X	
	Yorba Linda			X				
San Bernardino Associated Governments	Adelanto							X
	Apple Valley							X
	Barstow					X		
	Big Bear Lake							X
	Chino							X
	Chino Hills							X
	Colton							X
	Fontana			X				
	Grand Terrace							X
	Hesperia							X
	Highland							X
	Loma Linda							X

Subregion	City	Metro	City	Rail	BRT	API	PRIA	CP
SANBAG cont.	Montclair			X				
	Needles							X
	Ontario	X		X		X	X	
	Rancho Cucamonga			X				
	Redlands			X				
	Rialto			X				
	San Bernardino	X		X		X	X	
	Twentynine Palms							X
	Upland			X				
	Victorville		X	X		X		
	Yucaipa							X
	Yucca Valley							X
South Bay Cities Council of Governments	Carson						X	
	El Segundo			X			X	
	Gardena				X			
	Hawthorne			X	X		X	
	Hermosa Beach						X	
	Inglewood			X	X		X	
	Lawndale							X
	Lomita							X
	Manhattan Beach							X
	Palos Verdes Estates							X
	Rancho Palos Verdes							X
	Redondo Beach		X	X	X		X	
	Rolling Hills							X
	Rolling Hills Estates							X
	Torrance						X	
San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments	Alhambra							X
	Arcadia			X				
	Azusa			X			X	
	Baldwin Park			X				
	Bradbury							X
	Claremont			X				
	Covina			X				
	Diamond Bar							X
	Duarte			X				
	El Monte			X			X	
	Glendora			X				
	Industry			X		X		
	Irwindale			X		X		
	La Puente							X
	La Verne			X			X	
	Monrovia			X				
	Montebello			X				
	Monterey Park						X	
	Pasadena		X	X			X	
	Pomona			X			X	
	Rosemead						X	
	San Dimas			X				
	San Gabriel							X
	San Marino							X
	Sierra Madre							X

Subregion	City	Metro	City	Rail	BRT	API	PRIA	CP
SGVCOG cont.	South El Monte							X
	South Pasadena			X				X
	Temple City							X
	Walnut							
	West Covina			X				
Ventura Council of Governments	Camarillo			X			X	
	Fillmore							X
	Moorpark			X				
	Ojai							X
	Oxnard			X		X		
	Port Hueneme					X		
	San Buenaventura		X	X				
	Santa Paula							X
	Simi Valley			X				
	Thousand Oaks							X
Westside Cities	Beverly Hills			X	X			
	Culver City			X				
	Santa Monica		X	X	X		X	
	West Hollywood				X		X	
Western Riverside Council of Governments	Banning							X
	Beaumont							X
	Calimesa							X
	Canyon Lake							X
	Corona			X	X		X	
	Hemet		X	X				
	Lake Elsinore							X
	Moreno Valley				X		X	
	Murrieta							X
	Norco							X
	Perris			X				
	Riverside		X	X	X		X	
	San Jacinto		X	X				
	Temecula							X

Post-2010 Compass 2% Strategy Opportunity Areas Metro Centers

Table 2 – Metro Centers

City	Subregion
Anaheim	OCCOG
Burbank	Arroyo Verdugo
Glendale	Arroyo Verdugo
Irvine	OCCOG
Long Beach	Gateway Cities
Los Angeles	LA City
Ontario	SANBAG
San Bernardino	SANBAG
Santa Ana	OCCOG

Source: SCAG 2004 Compass Final Report

Post-2010 Compass 2% Strategy Opportunity Areas City Centers

Table 3 – City Centers

City	Subregion
Brea	OCCOG
Cerritos	Gateway Cities
Costa Mesa	OCCOG
El Centro	IVAG
Hemet	WRCOG
Huntington Beach	OCCOG
Lancaster	North LA County
Palmdale	North LA County
Palm Desert	CVAG
Palm Springs	CVAG
Pasadena	SGVCOG
Redondo Beach	SB Cities
Riverside	WRCOG
San Buenaventura	VCOG
San Jacinto	WRCOG
Santa Clarita	North LA County
Santa Monica	Westside Cities
Victorville	SANBAG

Source: SCAG 2004 Compass Final Report

Post-2010 Compass 2% Strategy Opportunity Areas Rail Transit Stops

Table 4 – Rail Transit Stops

City	Subregion	City	Subregion
Anaheim	OCCOG	Montclair	SANBAG
Arcadia	SGVCOG	Montebello	SGVCOG
Azusa	SGVCOG	Moorpark	VCOG
Baldwin Park	SGVCOG	Norwalk	Gateway Cities
Beverly Hills	Westside Cities	Ontario	SANBAG
Buena Park	OCCOG	Orange	OCCOG
Burbank	Arroyo Verdugo	Oxnard	VCOG
Camarillo	VCOG	Palmdale	North LA County
Claremont	SGVCOG	Pasadena	SGVCOG
Commerce	Gateway Cities	Perris	WRCOG
Compton	Gateway Cities	Pomona	SGVCOG
Corona	WRCOG	Rancho Cucamonga	SANBAG
Covina	SGVCOG	Redlands	SANBAG
Culver City	Westside Cities	Redondo Beach	SB Cities
Downey	Gateway Cities	Rialto	SANBAG
Duarte	SGVCOG	Riverside	WRCOG
El Monte	SGVCOG	San Bernardino	SANBAG
El Segundo	SB Cities	San Buenaventura	VCOG
Fontana	SANBAG	San Clemente	OCCOG
Fullerton	OCCOG	San Dimas	SGVCOG
Glendale	Arroyo Verdugo	San Fernando	LVMCOG
Glendora	SGVCOG	San Jacinto	WRCOG
Hawthorne	SB Cities	San Juan Capistrano	OCCOG
Hemet	WRCOG	Santa Ana	OCCOG
Industry	SGVCOG	Santa Clarita	North LA County
Inglewood	SB Cities	Santa Fe Springs	Gateway Cities
Irvine	OCCOG	Santa Monica	Westside Cities
Irwindale	SGVCOG	Simi Valley	VCOG
La Verne	SGVCOG	South Pasadena	SGVCOG
Laguna Niguel	OCCOG	Tustin	OCCOG
Lancaster	North LA County	Upland	SANBAG
Long Beach	Gateway Cities	Yorba Linda	OCCOG
Los Angeles	LA City	Victorville	SANBAG
Lynwood	Gateway Cities	West Covina	SGVCOG
Monrovia	SGVCOG		

Source: SCAG 2004 Compass Final Report
SCAG 2004 Regional Transportation Plan

Post-2010 Compass 2% Strategy Opportunity Areas Bus Rapid Transit Corridors

Table 5 - Bus Rapid Transit Corridors

City	Subregion
Bell	Gateway Cities
Bell Gardens	Gateway Cities
Beverly Hills	Westside Cities
Commerce	Gateway Cities
Corona	WRCOG
Gardena	SB Cities
Hawthorne	SB Cities
Huntington Park	Gateway Cities
Inglewood	SB Cities
Los Angeles	LA City
Lynwood	Gateway Cities
Moreno Valley	WRCOG
Redondo Beach	SB Cities
Riverside	WRCOG
Santa Monica	Westside Cities
South Gate	Gateway Cities
Vernon	Gateway Cities
West Hollywood	Westside Cities

Source: SCAG 2004 Compass Final Report
SCAG 2004 Regional Transportation Plan

Post-2010 Compass 2% Strategy Opportunity Areas Airports, Ports, and Industrial Centers

Table 6 - Airports, Ports, and Industrial Centers

City	Subregion
Barstow	SANBAG
Burbank	Arroyo Verdugo
Calexico	IVAG
Commerce	Gateway Cities
Costa Mesa	OCCOG
Industry	SGVCOG
Irwindale	SGVCOG
Los Angeles	LA City
Long Beach	Gateway Cities
Ontario	SANBAG
Oxnard	VCOG
Palmdale	North LA County
Palm Springs	CVAG
Port Hueneme	VCOG
San Bernardino	SANBAG
Santa Ana	OCCOG
Victorville	SANBAG

Source: SCAG 2004 Compass Final Report

Post-2010 Compass 2% Strategy Opportunity Areas Priority Residential In-fill Areas

Table 7 - Priority Residential In-fill Areas

City	Subregion
Anaheim	OCCOG
Azusa	SGVCOG
Burbank	Arroyo Verdugo
Camarillo	VCOG
Carson	SB Cities
Compton	Gateway Cities
Corona	WRCOG
Costa Mesa	OCCOG
Cypress	OCCOG
El Monte	SGVCOG
El Segundo	SB Cities
Garden Grove	OCCOG
Glendale	Arroyo Verdugo
Hawthorne	SB Cities
Huntington Park	Gateway Cities
Inglewood	SB Cities
La Verne	SGVCOG
Lancaster	North LA County
Long Beach	Gateway Cities
Los Angeles	SB Cities
Monterey Park	SGVCOG
Moreno Valley	WRCOG
Newport Beach	OCCOG
Ontario	SANBAG
Palmdale	North LA County
Pasadena	SGVCOG
Pomona	SGVCOG
Redondo Beach	SB Cities
Riverside	WRCOG
Rosemead	SGVCOG
San Bernardino	SANBAG
Santa Ana	OCCOG
Santa Clarita	North LA County
Santa Monica	Westside Cities
Torrance	SB Cities
Riverside County	WRCOG
San Bernardino County	SANBAG
West Hollywood	Westside Cities
Westminster	OCCOG

Source: SCAG 2004 Compass Final Report

Post-2010 Compass 2% Strategy Opportunity Areas Compass Principles Priority Areas

Table 8 – Compass Principles Priority Areas

City	Subregion	City	Subregion
Adelanto	SANBAG	La Quinta	CVAG
Agoura Hills	LVMCOG	Laguna Beach	OCCOG
Alhambra	SGVCOG	Laguna Hills	OCCOG
Aliso Viejo	OCCOG	Laguna Woods	OCCOG
Apple Valley	SANBAG	Lake Elsinore	WRCOG
Artesia	Gateway Cities	Lake Forest	OCCOG
Avalon	Gateway Cities	Lakewood	Gateway Cities
Banning	WRCOG	Lawndale	SB Cities
Beaumont	WRCOG	Loma Linda	SANBAG
Bellflower	Gateway Cities	Lomita	SB Cities
Big Bear Lake	SANBAG	Los Alamitos	OCCOG
Blythe	CVAG	Malibu	LVMCOG
Bradbury	SGVCOG	Manhattan Beach	SB Cities
Brawley	IVAG	Maywood	Gateway Cities
Brea	OCCOG	Mission Viejo	OCCOG
Calabasas	LVMCOG	Murrieta	WRCOG
Calimesa	WRCOG	Needles	SANBAG
Calipatria	IVAG	Norco	WRCOG
Canyon Lake	WRCOG	Ojai	VCOG
Cathedral City	CVAG	Palos Verdes Estates	SB Cities
Cerritos	Gateway Cities	Paramount	Gateway Cities
Chino	SANBAG	Pico Rivera	Gateway Cities
Chino Hills	SANBAG	Placentia	OCCOG
Coachella	CVAG	Rancho Mirage	CVAG
Colton	SANBAG	Rancho Palos Verdes	SB Cities
Cudahy	Gateway Cities	Rancho Santa Margarita	OCCOG
Dana Point	OCCOG	Rolling Hills	SB Cities
Desert Hot Springs	CVAG	Rolling Hills Estates	SB Cities
Diamond Bar	SGVCOG	San Gabriel	SGVCOG
Fillmore	VCOG	San Marino	SGVCOG
Fountain Valley	OCCOG	Santa Paula	VCOG
Grand Terrace	SANBAG	Seal Beach	OCCOG
Hawaiian Gardens	Gateway Cities	Sierra Madre	SGVCOG
Hesperia	SANBAG	Signal Hill	Gateway Cities
Hidden Hills	LVMCOG	South El Monte	SGVCOG
Highland	SANBAG	Stanton	OCCOG
Holtville	IVAG	Temecula	WRCOG
Huntington Beach	OCCOG	Temple City	SGVCOG
Imperial	IVAG	Thousand Oaks	VCOG
Indian Wells	CVAG	Twentynine Palms	SANBAG
Indio	CVAG	Villa Park	OCCOG
La Canada Flintridge	Arroyo Verdugo	Walnut	SGVCOG
La Habra	OCCOG	Westlake Village	LVMCOG
La Habra Heights	Gateway Cities	Westmorland	IVAG
La Mirada	Gateway Cities	Whittier	Gateway Cities
La Palma	OCCOG	Yucaipa	SANBAG
La Puente	SGVCOG	Yucca Valley	SANBAG

Source: SCAG 2004 Compass Final Report